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Benton County Election Commission Minutes October 19, 2009

Chairman, Bill Williams, opened the meeting at 10:04 a.m.

Present:

Bill Williams, Chairman

Timothy Hutchinson, Secretary

E. J. Miller, Member

Helen Peltier, Election Coordinator

Others present: Betty Crawford, Benton County clerical pool

The media was notified.

The Minutes of the October 13, 2009 was approved.

Chairman Williams informed the Commission that the Arkansas Election Commission Association meeting will be held on Saturday, October 24, 2009, in Little Rock, AR. Chairman Williams will attend this meeting.

The recap of the school election billing was presented. Helen Peltier, Election Coordinator, reviewed the analysis of the cost of the election. The total cost was \$17,500.00 which will be billed to each school district based on a percentage of the votes. The Commission also discussed the allocations of cost.

The Commissioners review the billing for the runoff election for the city of Pea Ridge. The Commissioners agreed that since runoff election for Pea Ridge was a mandated election the miscellaneous fees will not be billed.

Chairman Williams reported on results of the meeting with the Committee of 13. The Commissioners agreed that the new position requested would enable the Election Commission to be better able to collect all entitled ways for reimbursement. Concern was expressed that future elections could not continue to be handled in the same manner without the additional person. The Personnel meeting is scheduled for Thursday at 5 p.m. Chairman Williams encouraged all Commissioners and the Election Coordinator to attend.

Before certifying the annexations elections, Chairman Williams will ask the Attorney General for clarification and will correspond with the voters of the provisional votes if needed. The election will be certified later but within the time frame allowed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Timothy Hutchinson, Secretary Prepared by Betty Crawford, Benton County clerical pool

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